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TAGS: MILI, CA

SUBJECT: ARGENTIA BASE.

REF : STATE 25631

1. EMBOFF MET WITH EXTAFF OFFICER JON LEGG TO DISCUSS ARGENTIA PROBLEM. LEGG OPENED DISCUSSION BY CITING ONCE AGAIN CANADA'S TREATY WITH POLES WHICH ALLOWS THEIR USE OF CANADIAN COMMERCIAL PORTS. HE ALSO MENTIONED CANADA'S LONG-ESTABLISHED CUSTOM OF KEEPING COMMERCIAL PORTS OPEN TO ALL TRAFFIC. HE WAS CHAGRINED TO ADMIT THE OTTAWA-NEWFOUNDLAND ISSUE WAS STILL UNRESOLVED, AND HOPED THAT RESOLUTION OF US-CANADIAN DIFFERENCES WOULD PROVIDE IMPETUS TO SOLVE THAT CONSTITUTIONAL DISPUTE.

2. EMBOFF CITED INFORMATION CONTAINED IN REFTTEL THAT US DID NOT CONSIDER CANADIAN MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY WOULD CHANGE IN ANY WAY THE CURRENT STATUS OF THE PORT. SINCE POLISH VESSELS WERE EXCLUDED NOW, AND SINCE THERE WOULD BE NO CHANGE IN THE STATUS OF THE PORT, IT SHOULD NOT BE A PROBLEM FOR THE CANADIANS TO MAINTAIN SAME EXCLUSIONARY POLICIES. BLOC FISHING VESSELS STOCKING AND FUELING AT US NAVY PORT ALSO WOULD CREATE POLITICAL PROBLEMS WITH US FISHING INDUSTRY.

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3. LEGG AGREED THAT STATUS OF THE PORT WAS NOT CHANGING

IN ANY WAY AND SUGGESTED INFORMALLY THAT PERHAPS THE WAY TO
RESOLVE THE PROBLEM WOULD BE FOR US NAVY TO REMAIN AS SYMBOLIC
HARBOR MANAGER. HE FURTHER SUGGESTED MEETING OF APPROPRIATE
US-CANADIAN OFFICIALS MIGHT BE BEST WAY TO PROCEED.
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